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Re: Oversight of Work for Pre-Design Studies

North Bronson Industrial Area Site Bronson, Branch County, Michigan.

Dear Ms. Clarke:

Roy F. Weston, Inc. (WESTON_®) is pleased to submit the two-week oversight report for the Bronson North Industrial Area site in Bronson, Branch County, Michigan. The oversight report is for the period between 12 March through 27 March 2001.

The attached oversight report provides a summary of the daily observations, field logbook entries made by the WESTON® on-site representative, and photodocumentation of field activities.

If you have any questions please call me at 847-918-4088.

Very truly yours,

Richard A. Swearingen, P.E.

ROY F. WESTON, INC.

Site Manager

cc: Eric Chatterson

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OVERSIGHT REPORT NORTH BRONSON INDUSTRIAL AREA BRONSON, MICHIGAN

10 April 2001

Prepared for:

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region 5 Emergency and Remedial Response Branch 77 West Jackson Boulevard Chicago, Illinois 60604

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OVERSIGHT OF PRE-DESIGN STUDIES WORK BRONSON NORTH INDUSTRIAL AREA SITE BRONSON, BRANCH COUNTY, MICHIGAN 12 MARCH – 27 MARCH 2001

This report summarizes the field oversight of pre-design studies work by ARCADIS (Geraghty and Miller) at the Bronson North Industrial Area Site, in Bronson, Michigan. A Roy F. Weston, Inc. (WESTON®) Geologist provided oversight support on 5 of the 10 possible workdays. Photodocumentation of oversight observations is attached to this report.

Field activities at the Site were performed with the purpose of addressing the requirements outlined in the Consent Decree filed in United States District Court for the Western District of Michigan, Southern Division, United States of America vs. Bronson Plating Company, et. Al., entered on 29 February 2000. The data collected during the field activities will be utilized in conjunction with data previously obtained during the Remedial Investigation (RI) to execute an appropriate Remedial Design (RD) and implement the Remedial Action (RA) for the Site, as required in the Record of Decision (ROD).

12 March 2001

Tuesday

Weather: 33° F and drizzle

Personnel on site included:

| <u>Name</u> | Affiliation | <u>Title</u> | | |
|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------|--|--|
| Eric Chatterson | WESTON | Project Geologist | | |
| John Keeler (field team leader) | ARCADIS | Scientist II | | |
| Randy Radke Randy Secord | Boart Longyear Boart Longyear | Driller Drillers Helper | | |

On 12 March 2001, ARCADIS organized equipment and calibrated instruments for one team of field personnel. Air monitoring equipment included Draeger tubes and a FID meter. The FID (OVA) meter was calibrated to 100 ppm methane.

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ARCADIS surges and purges MW-23 using a new surge block with a rigid handle. Air monitoring was observed at MW-23 when WESTON oversight personnel were present. No deficiencies were noted in regards to following the approved Work Plan.

Completed field tasks at the end of the day included the following:

Monitoring Wells Developed

• MW-23

Additional site concerns:

None

13 March 2001

Wednesday

Weather: 38° F and fair conditions

Personnel on site included:

Name Affiliation Title

Eric Chatterson WESTON Project Geologist

John Keeler (field team leader) ARCADIS Scientist II

Randy Radke Boart Longyear Driller

Randy Secord Boart Longyear Drillers Helper

On 13 March 2001, ARCADIS organized equipment and calibrated instruments for one team of field personnel. Air monitoring equipment included Draeger tubes and a FID meter. The FID (OVA) meter was calibrated to 100 ppm methane.

ARCADIS develops MW-33I in the morning, finishes development of MW-33S by noon. No deficiencies were noted in regards to following the approved Work Plan and no deviations from the HASP were noted.

Completed field tasks at the end of the day included the following:

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Monitoring Wells Developed

- MW-33I
- MW-33S

Additional site concerns:

John Keeler of ARCADIS comments that some of the existing wells are constructed of galvanized steel, not PVC.

20 March 2001

Tuesday

Weather: 55° F and fair conditions

Personnel on site included:

| Name | Affiliation | <u>Title</u> |
|---------------------------------|-------------|-------------------|
| Eric Chatterson | WESTON | Project Geologist |
| John Keeler (field team leader) | ARCADIS | Scientist II |
| Alec MacAdam | ARCADIS | Scientist II |
| Dave Buser | ARCADIS | Scientist II |

On 20 March 2001, ARCADIS organized equipment and calibrated instruments for two teams of field personnel. MW-18 and MW-7S have been sampled prior to the arrival of WESTON personnel. Dave Buser is tasked with sampling MW-29 while Alec MacAdam is tasked with sampling MW-16S.

Air monitoring was observed at all well/soil boring locations where WESTON oversight personnel were present. Decontamination of all reusable measuring equipment between wells was observed at the wells where oversight was present. No deficiencies were noted in regards to following the approved Work Plan.

Completed field tasks at the end of the day included the following:

Monitoring Wells Sampled

- MW-18
- MW-7S

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- MW-29
- MW-16S

Additional site concerns:

Kim Eichler (property owner) confronts WESTON personnel and requests a copy of the access agreement that he signed. Dave Buser of ARCADIS tells Mr. Eichler that he will have his office send Mr. Eichler a copy.

21 March 2001

Wednesday

Weather: 50° F and fair conditions

WESTON oversight not present - the following information was obtained from*
discussions with ARCADIS personnel on March 22, 2001.

Personnel on site included:

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Affiliation</u> | <u>Title</u> | |
|---------------------------------|--------------------|--------------|--|
| John Keeler (field team leader) | ARCADIS | Scientist II | |
| Dave Buser | ARCADIS | Scientist II | |
| Alec MacAdam | ARCADIS | Scientist II | |
| Chuck Graff | MDEQ | Geologist | |
| Debbie Larsen | MDEQ | Supervisor | |

On March 21, 2001, ARCADIS personnel were on site. Based on discussions with site personnel the following day (22 March 2001), no deviations from the Work Plan were identified.

Low-flow groundwater sampling at MW-32S and MW-34S was conducted in the morning, and MW-32I and MW-34I were sampled in the afternoon. All four wells were sampled for wetland parameters. All samples collected on 20 March and 21 March 2001 were shipped to STL Laboratories in North Canton, Ohio by FedEx Overnight Courier from Battle Creek, MI.

Completed field tasks at the end of the day included the following:

Monitoring Wells Sampled

- MW-32S
- MW-34S
- MW-32I
- MW-34I

Additional site concerns:

None

22 March 2001

Thursday

Weather: 50° F and sunny conditions

Personnel on site included:

| Name | Affiliation | <u>Title</u> |
|---------------------------------|-------------|------------------|
| Hemang Shah | WESTON | Project Engineer |
| John Keeler (field team leader) | ARCADIS | Scientist II |
| Dave Buser | ARCADIS | Scientist II |
| Alec MacAdam | ARCADIS | Scientist II |

On 22 March 2001, ARCADIS and WESTON personnel were on site. Based on discussions with site personnel with regards to 21 March 2001 no deviations from the Work Plan were identified.

The day's activities consisted of monitoring well sampling and slug testing. During the sampling of MW-28, several difficulties were encountered by ARCADIS personnel. At first the peristaltic pump would not start, however, after several tries the pump started but the turbidity readings of the pumped groundwater were high. The turbidity was also high at MW-15S. Both wells were monitored and were reportedly not sampled until the turbidity of the groundwater was within the established parameters. (WESTON personnel were not onsite when MW-28 and MW-15S were finally sampled).

During groundwater sampling activities, ARCADIS personnel were made aware of the general protocol which calls for turning off vehicle engines during the collection of samples for VOC analysis.

The first slug test at MW-34S failed. A second slug test was then performed and the results were satisfactory. The slug test was initiated by dropping a solid slug into the well and recording the initial elevation of groundwater displaced by the slug and then recording the change in groundwater elevation as the aquifer returned to equilibrium with the well. An In-Situ Hermit datalogger was utilized in conjunction with a pressure transducer for the recording of water levels during slug testing. Upon reaching equilibrium, at the end of the falling head test, the slug was removed causing a negative displacement of groundwater thereby initiating the rising head phase of the slug test. Groundwater elevations were recorded during the rising head test unitl equilibrium between the well and the aquifer was reached thereby terminating the test.

WESTON noted no deviations from the Work Plan or HASP.

Completed field tasks at the end of the day included the following:

Monitoring Wells Sampled

- MW-8S
- MW-17S
- MW-17D
- MW-8D
- MW-31
- MW-28
- MW-15S

Slug Tests Completed

- MW-29
- MW-34S
- MW-34I

Additional site concerns:

None

23 March 2001

Friday

Weather: 50° F and fair conditions

Personnel on site included:

| <u>Name</u> <u>Affilia</u> | tion <u>Title</u> |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------|
| Hemang Shah WEST | ON Project Engineer |
| John Keeler (field team leader) ARCA | DIS Scientist II |
| Dave Buser ARCA | DIS Scientist II |
| Alec MacAdam ARCA | DIS Scientist II |

On 23 March 2001, ARCADIS and WESTON personnel were on site. WESTON noted no deviations from the Work Plan or HASP.

Active tasks for the day included well sampling and slug testing. Calibration of the YSI field meter does not indicate proper results for Dissolved Oxygen (DO) concentration in the afternoon. ARCADIS personnel contacted the equipment rental personnel for assistance. After speaking with the rental personnel, ARCADIS changes the DO membrane and recalibrated the YSI.

Monitoring Wells Sampled

- MW-30
- MW-35S
- MW-35I
- MW-26
- MW-13D

Slug Test Completed

- MW-32S
- MW-32I

Additional site concerns:

None.

24 March 2001

Saturday

WESTON oversight not present - the following information was obtained from

discussions with ARCADIS personnel.

Personnel on site included:

| Name | <u>Affiliation</u> | <u>Title</u> | | |
|---------------------------------|--------------------|--------------|--|--|
| John Keeler (field team leader) | ARCADIS | Scientist II | | |
| Dave Buser | ARCADIS | Scientist II | | |
| Alec MacAdam | ARCADIS | Scientist II | | |

On 24 March 2001, ARCADIS personnel were on site. The day's activities included well sampling.

Additional site concerns:

None.

25 March 2001

Sunday

WESTON oversight not present - the following information was obtained from

discussions with ARCADIS personnel.

Personnel on site included:

| Name | <u>Affiliation</u> | <u>Title</u> |
|---------------------------------|--------------------|--------------|
| John Keeler (field team leader) | ARCADIS | Scientist II |
| Dave Buser | ARCADIS | Scientist II |
| Alec MacAdam | ARCADIS | Scientist II |

On 25 March 2001, ARCADIS personnel were on site. The day's activities included well sampling.

Additional site concerns:

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None.

26 March 2001

Monday

WESTON oversight not present - the following information was obtained from

discussions with ARCADIS personnel.

Personnel on site included:

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Affiliation</u> | <u>Title</u> |
|---------------------------------|--------------------|--------------|
| John Keeler (field team leader) | ARCADIS | Scientist II |
| Dave Buser | ARCADIS | Scientist II |
| Alec MacAdam | ARCADIS | Scientist II |

On 26 March 2001, ARCADIS personnel were on site. The day's activities included well sampling.

Additional site concerns:

None.

27 March 2001

Tuesday

WESTON oversight not present - the following information was obtained from

discussions with ARCADIS personnel.

Personnel on site included:

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Affiliation</u> | <u>Title</u> | | |
|---------------------------------|--------------------|--------------|--|--|
| John Keeler (field team leader) | ARCADIS | Scientist II | | |
| Dave Buser | ARCADIS | Scientist II | | |
| Alec MacAdam | ARCADIS | Scientist II | | |

| On 27 March 2001, ARCADIS personnel were on site. sampling. | The day's activities included well |
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| Additional site concerns: | |
| None. | |

Photodocumentation



Well development of MW-23.



Well development of MW-23.



Water level measurement at MW-29.



Monitoring well sampling at MW-17 D/S.



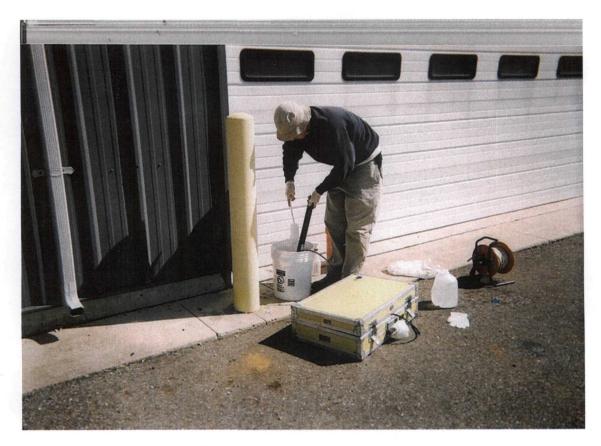
Monitoring well sampling at MW- 32.



Purging of well MW- 35 S/I.



Slug testing at MW-6.



Decontamination of low-flow pump.

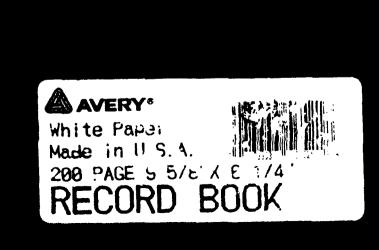


Decontamination of field equipment.



Decontamination of water level indicator.

Field Log



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UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

REGION 5 77 WEST JACKSON BOULEVARD CHICAGO, IL 60604-3590

REPLY TO THE ATTENTION OF:

Memorandum

Date:

August 6, 2002

To:

Richard A. Swearingen/Roy F. Weston, Inc.

From:

Giang-Van Nguyen/U.S.EPA

Subject:

Streamlined Remedial Investigation/Feasibility

Study (SRI/FS) Work Plan

North Bronson Former Facilities Site

Former Scott Fetzer Facility - Operable Unit #3

Bronson, Michigan

Dear Rick:

Enclosed please find a copy of the SRI/FS Work Plan for North Bronson Former Facilities Sites, Operable Unit # 3.

Please review the documents and submit your comments on August 26, 2002 or sooner possible. If you have any questions, please contact me at 312-886-6726 or via email at nguyen.giang-van@epa.gov

Regards

Giang-Van Nguyen

Remedial Project Manager

cc: Pat Vogtman, US EPA - Project Officer

Parveen K. Vij, US EPA - Contract Specialist

Enclosure